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**City Hall Receives Art Donation**

READING, PA – January 13, 2015 – In The City of Reading, where diversity is embraced and encouraged, City Hall has received a donation of a piece of art work that symbolizes every racial and financial divide including men, women, and children, from the homeless to the well-heeled, the disabled to your everyday people. "The Hand of Hands," created by Jared Coldren, has been installed on the first floor of City Hall by the Washington Street entrance.

"The Hand of Hands" was created in 2012 and was first displayed at the Googleworks from the month of April 2012. Coldren captured images of over 3,000 individual hands and created one big hand. The purpose of this project is to illustrate the idea that we are all one. This piece is a great representation of the area we live in and most of all captures the diversity of the people who live in the City of Reading.

"The Hand of Hands is diversity. It's the story of me, it's the story of you, but more importantly it's the story of us," Jared Coldren.

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